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In re Application of:

Morten Nissov et al.

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Examiner: --

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD OF DISPERSION
COMPENSATION IN OPTICAL COMMUNICATION
SYSTEMS

August 20, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATUS INQUIRY

Sir:

In reviewing our records we note that the above-identified application was filed on November 16, 2001, and, to date, the application is still awaiting substantive action. Please advise of the status of the application and when Applicants can anticipate action thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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